

1-1 By: Hughes S.B. No. 751  
1-2 (In the Senate - Filed February 11, 2019; March 1, 2019,  
1-3 read first time and referred to Committee on State Affairs;  
1-4 April 8, 2019, reported favorably by the following vote: Yeas 9,  
1-5 Nays 0; April 8, 2019, sent to printer.)

1-6 COMMITTEE VOTE

	Yea	Nay	Absent	PNV
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1-8	Huffman	X		
1-9	Hughes	X		
1-10	Birdwell	X		
1-11	Creighton	X		
1-12	Fallon	X		
1-13	Hall	X		
1-14	Lucio	X		
1-15	Nelson	X		
1-16	Zaffirini	X		

1-17 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
1-18 AN ACT

1-19 relating to the creation of a criminal offense for fabricating a  
1-20 deceptive video with intent to influence the outcome of an  
1-21 election.

1-22 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

1-23 SECTION 1. Section 255.004, Election Code, is amended by  
1-24 adding Subsections (d) and (e) to read as follows:

1-25 (d) A person commits an offense if the person, with intent  
1-26 to injure a candidate or influence the result of an election:

1-27 (1) creates a deep fake video; and

1-28 (2) causes the deep fake video to be published or  
1-29 distributed within 30 days of an election.

1-30 (e) In this section, "deep fake video" means a video created  
1-31 with artificial intelligence that, with the intent to deceive,  
1-32 appears to depict a real person performing an action that did not  
1-33 occur in reality.

1-34 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.

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